

## Message Text

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SUBJ: US CONTRACTORS' PROBLEM WITH TRANSMITTAL OF BID DOCUMENTS  
TO NATO

REF: USNATO 192

1. IN ACCORDANCE WITH AGREEMENT REPORTED REFTEL NICSMA HAS NOW NOTIFIED ALL INTERESTED FIRMS THAT DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF TARE BIDS HAS BEEN EXTENDED BY 30 DAYS TO 31 MAR 75. ONE US FIRM, LITTON, HAS INFORMED US THAT ITS WASHINGTON REP HAS DISCOVERED POSSIBILITY THAT TRANSMISSION OF US BIDS TO NATO ON THIS CLASSIFIED PROJECT MAY REQUIRE UP TO FOUR WEEKS.

2. LOCAL LITTON REP INFORMED US THAT QUOTE NATO RESTRICTED UNQUOTE CLASSIFICATION WIL REQUIRE NOT ONLY TRANSMISSION OF BIDS THROUGH GOVERNMENT TO GOVERNMENT CHANNELS BUT ALSO APPROVAL BY STATE DEPT MUNITIONS CONTROL BOARD. THIS LATTER PROCEDURE, DESIGNED TO CONTROL TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY TO OTHER COUNTRIES, HAS TAKEN SEVERAL

WEEKS IN SOME CASES. LITTON REP SAYS THAT HARDWARE (COMPUTER) INVOLVED IN TARE BID HAS ALREADY BEEN RELEASED TO ALL NATO NATIONS FOR OTHER USES AND THUS SHOULD NOT REPEAT NOT REQUIRE MAJOR USG INVESTIGATION. POSSIBILITY REMAINS, HOWEVER, THAT US BID TRANSMISSION COULD BE DELAYED BEYOND DEADLINE AND THUS US FIRMS ELIMINATED FROM THIS MAJOR NATO COMPETITION.

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3. REQUEST ESTIMATED TIME REQUIRED FOR WASHINGTON CLEARANCE AND TRANSMITTAL OF US BIDS IN THIS CASE. BRUCE

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